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LIMITED OFFICIAL USE HELSINKI 1247

SUBJECT: LOCALE FOR SALT

REF: A. STATE 146718 B. STATE 143534 C. HELSINKI 1223

1. DCM TALKED WITH HIS SOVIET COUNTERPART AND AGREED
PARALLEL APPROACHES WOULD BE MADE TO FINNS TODAY.

2. ACCORDINGLY AT 11:45 A.M. DCM CALLED ON SECRETARY
GENERAL TOTTERMAN AND INFORMED HIM OF POINTS IN REFTTEL B.
ALSO GAVE HIM COPY OF DRAFT U.S. RELEASE, JUST BEFORE
CALL, EMBASSY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER HAD BEEN QUERIED
BY CAWEN OF FOREIGN MINISTRY ABOUT SWISS RADIO REPORT,
BUT FORTUNATELY NEWS HAD NOT YET REACHED TOTTERMAN.

3. TOTTERMAN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION AT BEING INFORMED,
AND ALSO GRATIFICATION THAT MOVE WAS BEING MADE FOR
ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL REASONS, RATHER THAN
BECAUSE OF ANY DISSATISFACTION WITH FINNISH ARRANGEMENTS.
WE REITERATED OUR COMPLETE SATISFACTION WITH AND
APPRECIATION FOR THE EXCELLENT SUPPORT ALWAYS PROVIDED
BY FINNS.

4. WE ASSUME THERE WILL IN DUE COURSE BE SOME MORE
FORMAL EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO FINNISH GOVERNMENT

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AND CITY OF HELSINKI FOR THEIR SALT SUPPORT. THEY SPARED
NO EFFORT OR EXPENSE TO PROVIDE OUR DELEGATION WITH
FACILITIES, ARRANGEMENTS, AND HOSPITALITY, WHICH WERE
FIRST-CLASS IN EVERY RESPECT. WE SUGGEST A MESSAGE OF
THANKS FROM PRESIDENT NIXON OR THE SECRETARY TO
PRESIDENT KEKKONEN BE CONSIDERED.

5. EMBASSY STILL AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS ON LEASE
(REFTEL C).PETERSON

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